

W.C.C. EX. COMMITTEE  
8-14-2009  
RAMADA INN  
ST. POINT

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHR. ED HARVEY AT 3:04 P.M. THOSE PRESENT WERE CHR. ED HARVEY, V. CHR. ROB BOHMANN, SEC. RICH KIRCHMEYER, OTHER CONGRESS MEMBERS PRESENT WERE DAVE PUHL, GEORGE, BARTELS, DICK BAUDHUIN, AND DAN CARROL. KURT THIEDE FROM THE DNR WAS PRESENT. THOSE PEOPLE REPRESENTING OTHER GROUPS WERE BOB WELCH, GEORGE MEYER, AL LOBNER, MIKE GAPPA, CARL SHOETTEL, AND SCOTT MEYER.

FIRST ITEM THAT WAS DISCUSSED WAS THE DEER 2000 ALT EAB COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY ROB BOHMANN. ROB GAVE THE COMMITTEE'S PROPOSED SEASON STRUCTURE OUTLINE TO EVERYONE. ROB COMMENTED THAT GREG KAZMIRSKI WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A SORT OF REUNION OF ALL THE PEOPLE (ORGANIZATIONS) THAT WERE REPRESENTED ON THE NRB ALT EAB DEER COMMITTEE. ROB WILL REPRESENT THE WCC. A LETTER WILL BE DRAFTED AND APPROVED BY THE EX. COMM. WHICH THEN WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE NRB ASKING THAT \$.25 FROM EACH DEER LISC. SOLD BE SET ASIDE AND BE USED FOR DEER RESEARCH. A TENTATIVE MEETING MAY BE SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY AUG. 21ST FOR THE WCC. COMM. TO MEET IN PLOVER TO DISCUSS DMU OVER WINTER GOALS AND POSSIBLE UNIT BOUNDARY CHANGES. WE THANKED ROB FOR ALL HIS TIME AND EFFORT HE HAS PUT INTO THIS PROJECT SO FAR.

THE NEXT DISCUSSION ITEM ON THE AGENDA WAS A RESOLUTION THAT DOES NOT ALLOW TRAINING OF HOUNDS ON BEAR IN ANY BEAR MANAGEMENT UNIT OR AREAS THAT DO NOT ALLOW HARVESTING OF BEARS WITH THE AIDE OF HOUNDS DURING THE HARVEST SEASON. THE WCC BEAR COMM AND HUNTING WITH DOGS COMM. HAS BEEN DEALING WITH THIS RESOLUTION FOR A FEW YEARS. THE AUTHOR HAS BEEN RE-PRESENTING THE RESOLUTION IN HOPES OF GETTING IT FORWARDED TO THE SPRING HEARING BUT THE COMMITTEES INVOLVED HAVE NEVER APPROVED THE RESOLUTION. MIKE GAPPA FROM THE W.B.H.A. GAVE A PRESENTATION TO THE GROUP AND HIS MAIN POINT WAS THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THE TRAINING AND HARVEST SEASONS AS THEY ARE AT PRESENT TIME. 70% OF ALL BEAR NOW ARE HARVESTED WITH THE AIDE OF BAIT. MANY OF THE HUNTERS IN ZONE C ARE BEING MORE SELECTIVE IN THE SIZE OF BEAR THEY ARE SHOOTING AS MORE AND MORE PERMITS ARE ISSUED FOR THAT ZONE. THERE WAS A VERY LENGTHY DISCUSSION ON THIS TOPIC WITH MANY OF THE PEOPLE PRESENT PARTICIPATING PROVIDING INPUT AND OPINIONS. MIKE GAPPA WAS ASKED IF HE WOULD ATTEND THE HUNTING WITH DOGS COMM. MEETING WHICH WILL MEET LATER THAT EVENING.

THE NEXT DISCUSSION ITEM WAS "THE BEAR BILL" BEING PRESENTED TO THE LEGISLATORS IN A FEW DAYS THAT WAS BEING SUPPORTED HEAVILY BY W.B.H.A. THE WCC HAD PREVIOUSLY DRAFTED AND SENT A LETTER TO ALL LEGISLATORS ASKING THAT NO BILLS BE PRESENTED TO THE FLOORS OF THE SENATE OR ASSEMBLY THAT HAD NOT GONE THROUGH THE CONGRESS OR OTHER PROPER CHANNELS SO AS THE PUBLIC WOULD HAVE A CHANCE TO VOICE THEIR OPINIONS ON THEM. WE HOPE THIS IS NOT A PRECEDENT ON HOW SOME ORGANIZATIONS ARE

GOING TO CONDUCT BUSINESS IN THE FUTURE. RICH MADE SOME COMMENTS ON THE BILL BEING PRESENTED SOME OF THE PROPOSALS COULD BE SUPPORTED AND SOME THAT COULD HAVE POTENTIAL PROBLEMS WITH ENFORCEMENT. GEORGE MEYER FROM THE W.W.F. COMMENTED THAT THE FEDERATION SUPPORTED THE CONTINUED USE OF BACK TAGS AND DISCUSSED THE OTHER ITEMS ON THE BILL. CHR. HARVEY ASKED THE EX. COMM. WHAT THEY WANTED TO DO WHETHER TO TAKE A POSITION OF SUPPORT OF THE BILL OR NOT. RICH COMMENTED EVEN THOUGH WE MAY SUPPORT MANY OF THE ISSUES IN THE BILL WE DO NOT LIKE THE IDEA THAT THE BILL IS GOING FORWARD WITHOUT THE WCC INPUT NOR SUPPORT FROM THE REST OF THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE.

4:10 P.M. THE EX. COMM. TOOK A RECESS

RECONVENED AT 4:45 P.M.

WOLF ISSUES WERE DISCUSSED. THOSE GROUPS BEING REPRESENTED WERE THE WCC., W.W.F., W.T.A., AND THE W.B.H.A. THE W.B.H.A. IS NOT REALLY RECEPTIVE TO THE FACT THAT THE WCC. IS WORKING ON THE WOLF MANAGEMENT PLAN WHICH INCLUDES SOME TYPE OF HARVEST OF WOLVES ONCE THEY ARE PERMANENTLY DELISTED. THEY THINK THIS WILL HURT THEIR CHANCES IN COURT FOR WINNING. MANY OTHER ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED DEALING WITH THIS ISSUE AND I THINK EVERYONE THERE AGREED TO PUSH FORWARD WITH THE DELISTING BUT ALSO TO KEEP EACH OTHER INFORMED ON WHAT EACH INDIVIDUAL GROUP IS DOING BEFORE THEY PRESENT ANYTHING TO THE LEGISLATORS OR OTHERS.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 5:40 P.M. BY RICH KIRCHMEYER 2ND BY ED HARVEY  
MOTION CARRIED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED  
RICHARD KIRCHMEYER SEC.